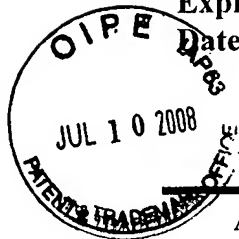


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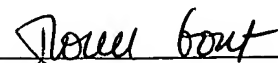
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: July 10, 2008


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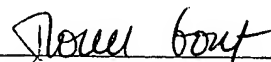
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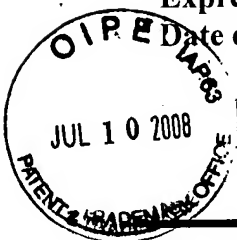
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**PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
BASED ON FAILURE TO RESPOND TO
NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181(a)**

Sir:

The present application was abandoned for alleged failure to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated April 20, 2007. Applicant urges that they had provided a timely and complete Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements together with a Petition for Five-Month Extension of Time and a Check Number 4129 in the amount of \$1,115.00 for the Extension Fee on November 15, 2007. Hence, Applicant submits that the Notice of Abandonment mailed on June 20, 2008 is improper and should be withdrawn.

Applicant provides herein a showing to establish a timely response to the Notification of Missing Requirements (MPEP 711.03(c)). The present application was nationalized in the U.S. on August 14, 2006. A Notification of Missing Requirements, mailed April 20, 2007, granted a period of two months to submit an executed Oath or Declaration ("Declaration") of the Inventors, with extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). On November 15, 2007, Applicant's representative submitted a Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, with the required executed Declaration document. A copy of Applicant's Response is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. The Response was sent by Express Mail. A postcard was also enclosed with the

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Response and was returned by the Patent and Trademark Office and was dated "Rec'd PCT/PTO 15 Nov 2007". Copies of the Express Mail Label and the postcard indicating receipt of the Response effective November 15, 2007 are attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

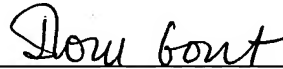
Applicant believes the foregoing is an adequate showing for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment for failure to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements.

Should the Examiner or Group Art Unit wish to discuss the present application, they are invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number provided.

While applicant believes no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference Number **25850-013 CIP NATL**. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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1. Response to Notice to File Missing Requirements (1 page); in duplicate;
2. Copy of Notice to File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 (2 pages);
3. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, one counterpart (3 pages);
4. Check Number 4130 in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the declaration surcharge;
5. Petition for Five-Month Extension of Time (1 page); in duplicate;
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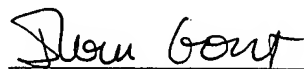
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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER
35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. §371 mailed on April 20, 2007 in relation to the above-referenced application, Applicant submits herewith this Response; a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under U.S.C. §371, executed Declaration signed by the inventor in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.497(a) and (b) (one counterpart, 3 pages) and Check No. 4130 in the amount of \$65.00 in payment of the surcharge for a small entity thereof. In addition, a Petition for a Five-Month Extension of Time to extend the response period until November 20, 2007 and Check No. 4129 in the amount of \$1,115.00 for a small entity to cover the Extension of Time Fee, are also included herewith.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due with the filing of this Response, however, if any additional fees are required or if any funds are due, the USPTO is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account Number: 50-0311, Customer Number: 35437, Reference Number: 25850-013 CIP NATL.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 08/14/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 08/14/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 08/14/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 08/14/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity:

- **\$65** Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION,

WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter (an original, first and joint inventor) which is claimed and for which a utility patent is sought on the invention entitled:

GARMENT LENGTH ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM

the specification of which:

☒ was filed on **February 11, 2005 (11.02.05)** as a PCT Application No. **PCT/IB05/02379** and nationalized in the United States on **August 14, 2006 (14.08.06)** as Serial No. **10/589,425**, bearing Attorney Docket No. **25850-013 CIP NATL**.

☐ is attached hereto, bearing Attorney Docket No. **25850-013 CIP NATL**.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

☐ I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT International application designating at least one country other than the United States listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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☐ I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) or §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application(s) designating the United States of America listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

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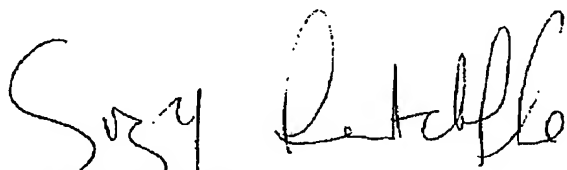
I hereby appoint MINTZ, LEVIN, COHN, FERRIS, GLOVSKY AND POPEO P.C., Customer Number: 35437, as Applicant's attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, with full power of substitution and revocation to take any and all action necessary with regard to the above-identified patent.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or patent issued thereon.

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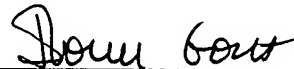
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a five-month extension of time to respond to the April 20, 2007 Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) in the above-identified application. With the extension, a Response is due on or before November 20, 2007. A check in the amount of \$1,115.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5), for a small entity, is enclosed herewith.

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**PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
BASED ON FAILURE TO RESPOND TO
NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181(a)**

Sir:

The present application was abandoned for alleged failure to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated April 20, 2007. Applicant urges that they had provided a timely and complete Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements together with a Petition for Five-Month Extension of Time and a Check Number 4129 in the amount of \$1,115.00 for the Extension Fee on November 15, 2007. Hence, Applicant submits that the Notice of Abandonment mailed on June 20, 2008 is improper and should be withdrawn.

Applicant provides herein a showing to establish a timely response to the Notification of Missing Requirements (MPEP 711.03(c)). The present application was nationalized in the U.S. on August 14, 2006. A Notification of Missing Requirements, mailed April 20, 2007, granted a period of two months to submit an executed Oath or Declaration ("Declaration") of the Inventors, with extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). On November 15, 2007, Applicant's representative submitted a Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, with the required executed Declaration document. A copy of Applicant's Response is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. The Response was sent by Express Mail. A postcard was also enclosed with the

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Response and was returned by the Patent and Trademark Office and was dated "Rec'd PCT/PTO 15 Nov 2007". Copies of the Express Mail Label and the postcard indicating receipt of the Response effective November 15, 2007 are attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

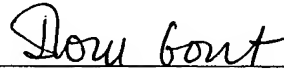
Applicant believes the foregoing is an adequate showing for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment for failure to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements.

Should the Examiner or Group Art Unit wish to discuss the present application, they are invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number provided.

While applicant believes no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference Number **25850-013 CIP NATL**. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: July 10, 2008



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